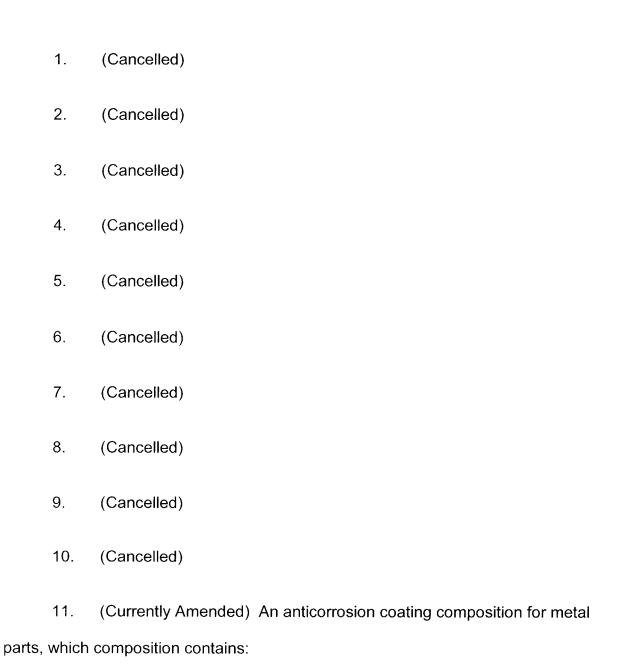
AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:



10% to 90% by weight of at least one particulate metal;

0.5% to 10% by weight of a reinforcing agent for the anticorrosion properties of the composition selected from the group consisting of yttrium, zirconium, lanthanum, cerium, praseodymium and neodymium, in the form of oxides or salts;

3% to 20% by weight of a binder; and, wherein said binder is a mixture of an alkoxylated silane and another component; and

either water optionally associated with one or more organic solvents, or one or more inter-miscible organic solvents selected from the group consisting of white spirits, alcohols, keytones, aromatic solvents, glycol solvents, acetates, nitropropane and their mixtures.

- 12. (Previously Presented) The composition according to claim 11, wherein said reinforcing agent for the anticorrosion properties of the composition is associated with molybdenum oxide MoO₃.
- 13. (Previously Presented) The composition according to claim 12, which composition contains 0.5% to 2% by weight molybdenum oxide MoO₃.
 - 14. (Cancelled)
- 15. (Previously Presented) The composition according to claim 11, wherein the particulate metal is selected from the group consisting of zinc, aluminium, tin, manganese, nickel, their alloys, and their mixtures.

16. (Previously Presented) The composition according to claim 11, wherein the particulate metal is selected from the group consisting of zinc, aluminium, their alloys and their mixtures.

17. (Cancelled)

- 18. (Previously Presented) The composition according to claim 11, wherein said reinforcing agent for the anticorrosion properties of the composition is yttrium.
- 19. (Previously Presented) The composition according to claim 11, wherein said reinforcing agent for the anticorrosion properties of the composition is cerium.
- 20. (Previously Presented) The composition according to claim 11, wherein said reinforcing agent for the anticorrosion properties of the composition is selected from the group consisting of La_2O_3 , Pr_6O_{11} , Nd_2O_3 and ZrO_2 .
- 21. (Previously Presented) The composition according to claim 11 wherein said reinforcing agent for the anticorrosion properties of the composition is associated with molybdenum oxide MoO_3 in a weight proportion of 0.25 < anticorrosion property reinforcing agent : $MoO_3 < 20$.

22. (Cancelled)

23. (Currently Amended) The composition according to claim 11, wherein the other component of said binder is selected from the group consisting of an alkoxylated silane, a silicone resin, a colloidal silica, a silicate of sodium and/or potassium and/or lithium, a zirconate, a titanate, an epoxy resin, a phenoxy resin, an acrylic and their

mixtures.

24. (Currently Amended) The composition according to claim $51\underline{11}$, wherein the organofunctionalised alkoxylated silane is γ -glycidoxypropyl-trimethoxysilane or γ -glycidoxypropyltriethoxysilane.

25. (Cancelled)

- 26. (Previously Presented) The composition according to claim 11, which composition further contains up to 7% by weight of a thickening agent.
- 27. (Previously Presented) The composition according to claim 26, wherein said thickening agent is selected from the group consisting of cellulose derivatives, xanthane gum, associative polyurethane thickeners or acrylic thickeners, silicas, silicates, organophilic clays, and their mixtures.
- 28. (Previously Presented) The composition according to claim 11, which composition further contains a lubricating agent to obtain a self-lubricated system

selected from the group consisting of polyethylene, polytetrafluoroethylene, MoS₂, graphite, polysulfones, synthetic or natural waxes and nitrides, and their mixtures.

- 29. (Previously Presented) The composition according to claim 11, which composition further contains an additive selected from the group consisting of an antifoam agent, a wetting agent, a surfactant and a biocide.
- 30. (Currently Amended) The composition according to claim 11, which composition contains:

10% to 40% by weight of at least one particulate metal;

0.5% to 10% of a reinforcing agent for the anticorrosion properties of the composition selected from the group consisting of yttrium, zirconium, lanthanum, cerium, praseodymium and neodymium, in the form of oxides or salts, optionally associated with molybdenum oxide MoO₃;

up to 7% by weight of a thickener;

3% to 20% by weight of a binder wherein said binder is a mixture of an alkoxylated silane and another component;

up to 3% by weight of a sodium and/or potassium and/or lithium silicate; up to 7% by weight of one or more lubricating agents;

1% to 30% by weight of an organic solvent or a mixture of organic solvents, and

water to make up to 100%.

- 31. (Previously Presented) The composition according to claim 30, which composition further contains 0.1% to 10% by weight of a weak mineral acid.
- 32. (Previously Presented) The composition according to claim 30, which composition further contains 0.01% to 1% by weight of an anionic surfactant.
 - 33. (Cancelled)
 - 34. (Cancelled)
 - 35. (Cancelled)
 - 36. (Cancelled)
 - 37. (Cancelled)
 - 38. (Cancelled)
- 39. (Currently Amended) The composition according to claim 4711, which composition contains from 1% to 8% by weight of said reinforcing agent.
- 40. (Previously Presented) The composition according to claim 39, which composition contains from 1% to 7% by weight of said reinforcing agent.

41. (Previously Presented) The composition according to claim 18, wherein said reinforcing agent is yttrium in the oxide form Y₂O₃.

42. (Previously Presented) The composition according to claim 19, wherein said reinforcing agent is cerium in the form of cerium chloride.

43. (Previously Presented) The composition according to claim 19, wherein said reinforcing agent is cerium in the oxide form CeO₂.

44. (Previously Presented) The composition according to claim 21, wherein said reinforcing agent is associated with molybdenum oxide MoO_3 in a weight proportion of 0.5 < anticorrosion property reinforcing agent: $MoO_3 <$ 16.

45. (Previously Presented) The composition according to claim 44, wherein said reinforcing agent is associated with molybdenum oxide MoO_3 in a weight proportion of 0.5 < anticorrosion property reinforcing agent: $MoO_3 < 14$.

46. (Cancelled)

47. (Currently Amended) The composition according to claim 46<u>11</u>, wherein the glycol solvents include glycol ethers.

48. (Previously Presented) The composition according to claim 47, wherein the glycol ethers are selected from the group consisting of diethyleneglycol, triethyleneglycol, dipropyleneglycol, polyethyleneglycol, and their mixtures.

49. (Previously Presented) The composition according to claim 30, wherein the composition contains between 0.05% and 2% by weight of a sodium and/or potassium and/or lithium silicate.

50. (Cancelled)

- 51. (Currently Amended) The composition according to claim 5011, wherein the alkoxylated silane is organofunctionalised.
- 52. (Currently Amended) The composition according to claim 2311, wherein the binder is associated with a phenolic crosslinking agent or an aminoplastic crosslinking agent.
- 53. (Previously Presented) The composition according to claim 27, wherein the thickener includes a cellulose derivative.
- 54. (Previously Presented) The composition according to claim 53, wherein the cellulose derivative is selected from the group consisting of hydroxymethyl cellulose,

hydroxyethyl cellulose, hydroxypropyl cellulose, hydroxypropylmethyl cellulose, and

their mixtures.

55. (Previously Presented) The composition according to claim 27, wherein

the thickener includes silicates.

56. (Previously Presented) The composition according to claim 55, wherein

the silicates are selected from the group consisting of silicates of magnesium, silicates

of lithium, and their mixtures.

57. (Previously Presented) The composition according to claim 31, wherein

the weak mineral acid is boric acid.

58. (New) The composition according to claim 11, wherein the particulate

metal is added to the composition in powder form of varying geometric structure,

homogenous or heterogeneous, in particular of spherical, lamellar or lenticular

structure.

59. (New) The composition according to claim 41, wherein said yttrium oxide

Y₂O₃ is used in the form of particulates having a size of between 1 μm and 40 μm with

a D_{50} of less than 3 μ m.

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- 60. (New) The composition according to claim 12, wherein said molybdenum oxide MoO₃ is in an essentially pure orthorhombic crystalline form having a molybdenum content greater than approximately 60% by weight.
- 61. (New) The composition according to claim 12, wherein said molybdenum oxide MoO₃ is in the form of particles having a size of between 1 μm and 200 μm.
- 62. (New) The composition according to claim 11, wherein the reinforcing agent is selected from the group consisting of praseodymium and neodymium, in the form of oxides or salts.